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THE SICKLE CELL "GAME"

PHONEY FOUNDATIONS TRY TO SABOTAGE BLACK PANTHER PARTY'S SICKLE CELL PROGRAM.



MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE: THE NEW LOCATION OF THE CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY IS 8501 EAST 14TH STREET, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA. PHONE: (415) 636-1986

"WHILE THERE IS DEATH, THERE IS HOPE"

WISCONSIN ASSEMBLYMAN LLOYD BARBEE COMMENTS ON THE DEATH OF J. EDGAR HOOVER.



ASSEMBLYMAN LLOYD BARBEE voiced the opinion of the oppressed when he said of Hoover's demise: "While there is death, there is hope."

"The runt will grunt no more!

"J. Edgar Hoover died in his sleep last week. While the F.B.I. bulletin issued Tuesday morning stated that Hoover died of natural causes, it is interesting to note that the specific cause of death was not determined, or at least none was given. So in the death of Chief Hoover, the FBI continued to live with the same contradictions he had established during his reign. He increased the size of his agency and expanded its activities from investigation to surveillance and killing. From all this 'we the people' must insist that if the FBI remains, its Chief must be accountable to us the U.S. people.

"Many former critics of Hoover and his personal views on crime prevention, detection, surveillance methods and policies as well as his fight against political activists both foreign and domestic have proceeded to eulogize and praise this narrow-minded, pig-headed, senile septuagenarian.

"I do not believe in fighting dead men. But neither do I adhere to the superstitious notion of not speaking the truth as I see it. While there is death there is hope.

"With the timely death of the old FBI chief, who died with his badge in his hand amid reports of illegal dossiers on celebrities' sex lives for the bed-time entertainment of Presidents, I have reason to feel that there is faint hope for improvement in this agency's philosophy of justice.





Although the "runt will grunt no more", the F.B.I. and the C.I.A. continue to exist in full service to U.S. Fascism.

While Mr. Gray, a political crony of President Nixon, offers no long-range improvement, at least he is not an immutable and unchallengeable institution. He is actually uttering good rhetoric for the time being.

"With Hoover's passing I am also led to wonder whether anyone has delved into his voluminous personal files and removed the white male, extortionist material which kept him securely in office long beyond his usefulness to a free and open democratic country's principles of law, order and justice. I hope that the files were burned or put into ITT's paper shredder before Nixon's political operatives were able to get their hands on them. With his personal hatchetman in charge now, the short run future looks rather grim for blacks, for the peace movement, for political progressives and activists, in short, for decent people in general.

"While his gross cadaver putrefied under the Capitol dome, profaning President Lincoln's bier, no doubt many Washington VIP's were heaving sighs of relief. Perhaps they will take steps now to insure that we never see the concentration of so much secret police power in the hands of one man again.

"A good first step would be the abolition of both the CIA and the FBI. Short of that, which I concede is unlikely, Congress should make the Civil Rights Act apply to the FBI as well as to the rest of the country. The employees of the FBI should be a representative cross sample of the entire country, not just white, Protestant America. Finally, a white woman has been assigned as an FBI Special Agent. For too long, these sado-masochistic chauvinists, racists and jingos have gone unchallenged.

"These are goals that the black movement and other activists should push for. The FBI, under a director who has read and believes in the U.S. Constitution, must become a humane organization with a concept of fair play and freedom for all.

"In Hoover's 47-year reign, he did not increase his stature, but he did increase his girth. He often denounced Black liberation but seldom showed leadership in solving the astronomical number of anti-civil rights bombings and murders. FBI agents are too friendly and sympathetic to white bigoted oppressors to effectively fight them."

FORGOTTEN "MUSLIMS"?

BROTHERS ARRESTED IN BATON ROUGE PLEAD TO BE HEARD.

In the early part of this year, several Black men were arrested in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as a result of what racist Louisiana pigs called a "riot" in the Black community there. The incident stirred a lot of controversy in many Black communities throughout the country, not only because of the usual, dastardly behavior of Louisiana pigs, but also over the issue of the organizational affiliation of the Brothers arrested. The Brothers claimed to be followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammed, while Elijah Muhammed himself denied them.

The information below has been circulated in many Black communities in leaflet and pamphlet form; and there have been many small fund-raising events held around the country to raise bail for the Brothers who were unjustly arrested and held, and to further explain the entire incident.

Because the Black Panther Party feels that so many Black people, particularly, however, remain in the dark over the incident itself and the relationship of those arrested to the Muslim Organization, we take this opportunity to re-print this information, in hopes of bringing clarity to our people over issues that concern all our lives:



WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARED, TWO OF THE BROTHERS WERE DEAD.

A CALL FOR AID FROM THE BROTHERS

ANOTHER MESSAGE AND LESSON TO BLACK PEOPLE

On Monday, January 10th, black people were shown once again, that which the Messenger of Allah has long taught. That black people are hated by whites. In their own run-down and oppressed community of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, blacks held a rally and protest of the tattered conditions under which they are supposed to enjoy living. The rally was called for and conducted by some progressive Muslim brothers, followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, from California and Illinois, who were touring the southern and eastern states to help bring forth the intolerable conditions in black communities. Such things as bad housing, lack of food, clothing and lack of industry for jobs. The brothers attempted to make known the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's program, which is designed to set our people in heaven at once with money, good homes and friendships in all walks of life. Meanwhile Baton Rouge's Gestapo forces were surrounding the people present. They came armed to the teeth, with clubs, guns, M-1 carbines, M-16 assault rifles that are used in Vietnam, and tear gas; in a vicious attempt to wipe out 1500 people gathered and totally unarmed. These "Peace Officers" wielding their clubs viciously, provoked the brothers to utilize their F.O.I. (Fruit of Islam) training gaining the upper hand. The gestapo then responded with more "lethal" weapons. Gunfire resounded from all sides. When the smoke cleared two Muslims laid dead, along with two white troopers, caught in their own rank's crossfire. 30 bystanders were wounded, another brother died 17 days later. The three Muslims murdered were Thomas 17X Davis of Chicago, Illinois, Lonnie X Mobley of Chicago and Samuel X Upton of Vallejo, California. Yet 12 black men are being held on a bond of $500,00.00 each. They are charged with inciting to riot and murder. Will you help the wives and children of these brothers survive? Send donations to the Young Muslim Family Fund:

c/o Daniel 7X McKinney
East Parish Prison E5
Scotlandville, Louisiana 70807

c/o Annie Brown
424 W. 101st
Chicago, Illinois 60628

c/o Elisha Muhammad
P.O. Box 1624
Vallejo, California 94590

A FURTHER EXPLANATION

TO THE PUBLIC

It is the desire of the brothers who were involved in a so-called confrontation with so-called police officers on January 10, 1972 in Baton Rouge, La. to be known as what they are: Righteous Muslims, followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. The truth stands for itself. It has been confirmed that no weapons were found on any brothers involved. Yet they are being portrayed as outside agitators, bent upon disturbing the so-called peace of the people in Baton Rouge. The fact is, we were there only to help the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, by raising funds for the purpose of much-needed Educational Centers for our people all over North America. We had peacefully traveled all over the country, raising funds to this end. But while in Baton Rouge, I along with two other brothers, were arrested and charged with soliciting without a permit, and theft by fraud.

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VOTE FOR PEOPLE'S CANDIDATES

CALIFORNIA PRIMARY ELECTIONS JUNE 6TH 1972

RON DELLUMS

FOR CONGRESS

7th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

FOR PRESIDENT

OF THE UNITED STATES



ON CAPITALISM AND PROPAGANDA

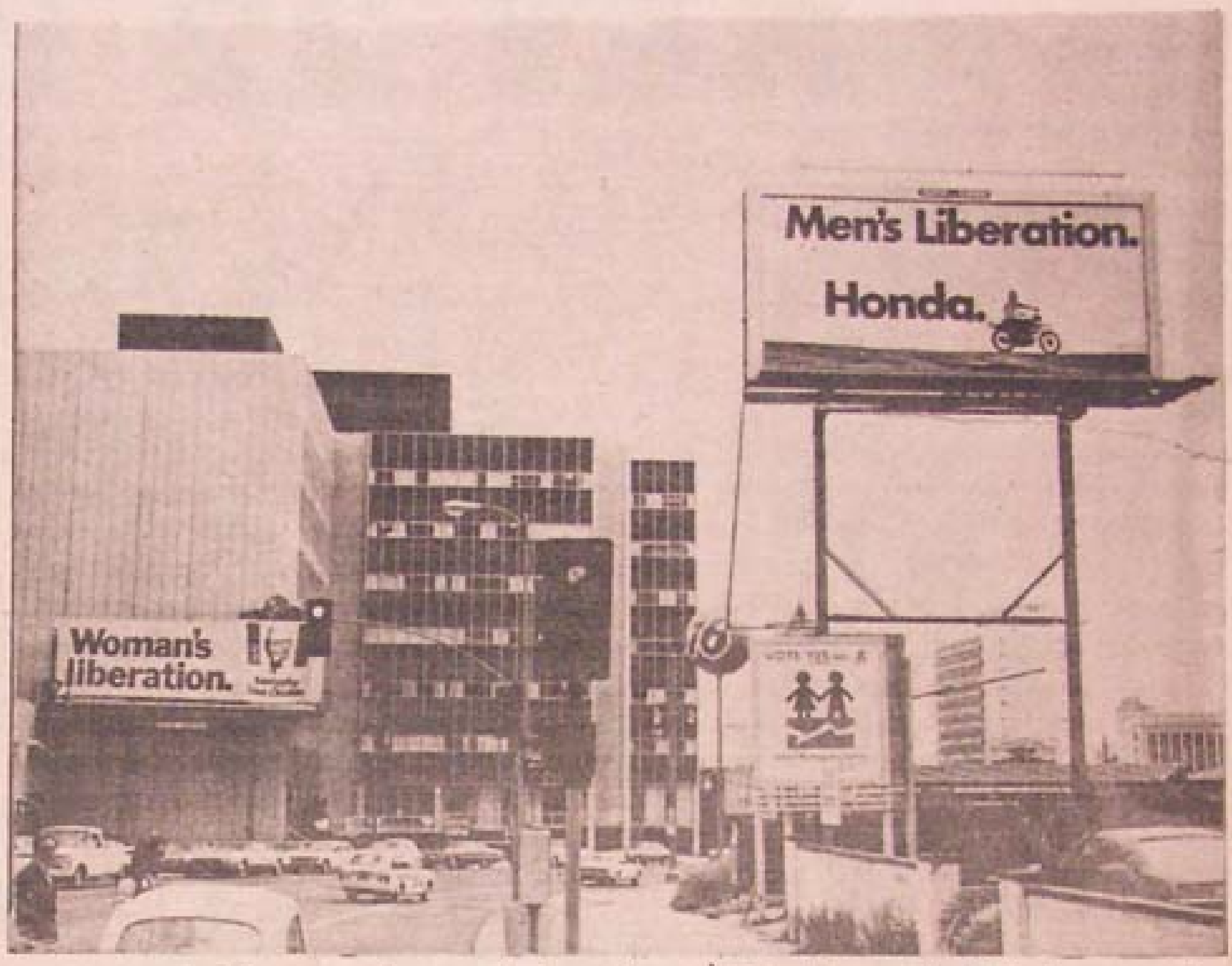
The article below was sent in by Robert Baugh of St. Petersburg, Florida. We are grateful to Mr. Baugh for allowing us to print his analysis of how reactionary propaganda can turn a progressive movement toward reaction:

The recent patterning-out of certain types of establishment propaganda, including the lines pushed by some "revolutionary" groups around the country, seems to point up some of the more avaricious mind-control techniques chosen by capitalist indoctrinators to be used against the American revolutionary movement.

Let me attempt to make an analysis of some fairly general categories involving propaganda which may well include some of the words and ideas which have recently come our way. It is often possible to recognize and predict the contents of ruling class propaganda by analyzing ruling class needs; and there are at least three main factors determining the contents of such propaganda and the devices used to install it.

First of all, there is the ultimate strategy of all capitalistic population control - which is to maintain the system. This means, of course, not only enhancing this system, but forestalling revolution, riots, property destruction (theirs) or economic collapse. This, in turn, means that anti-communism, racism, group chauvinism, procapitalism, rightism, false patriotism and mysticism - either singly, in combination or altogether - are among the most likely candidates to form the substance of bourgeois propaganda. The second major consideration in this game, is the enemy's intention toward the target group. That is, what does the propagandist want the group to do or not do, or to believe or not believe. The third consideration, in analyzing a given propaganda situation, is the type of tactic that is the most applicable to the target group. In other words, how can the existing characteristics of the group be used to the greatest advantage for the enemy to control the group's actions or thoughts.

If, for example, the target group is a middle class "praise Amerika" type, the reinforcement of such social characteristics as consumption of useless - and often harmful - products, acceptance of servitude in the imperialist armed forces, functional racism, apathy towards grotesque social ills and environmental destruction, rejection of socialism and any other social rationality threatening to capitalism are among the most important permanent objectives of the ruling class for this group. It is accomplished principally through maintaining and strengthening their heavy burden of false beliefs through such institutions as the mass communications media, the churches and the schools.



Mass communications media are primarily used by the capitalists to sometimes cleverly divide the oppressed.

If, say, revolutionaries are the target group, the government, in order to defeat or temporarily ally them, will attempt to get them to use heroin, become religious or join certain types of communes (sponsored covertly by the government). Hence pushers, so-called Jesus freaks, or false ecologists will be infiltrated into their midst. The use of these above three devices, of course, is not limited to those who have reached the revolutionary stage, but are used extensively against the potentially revolutionary youth sub-culture, GI's and Black people.

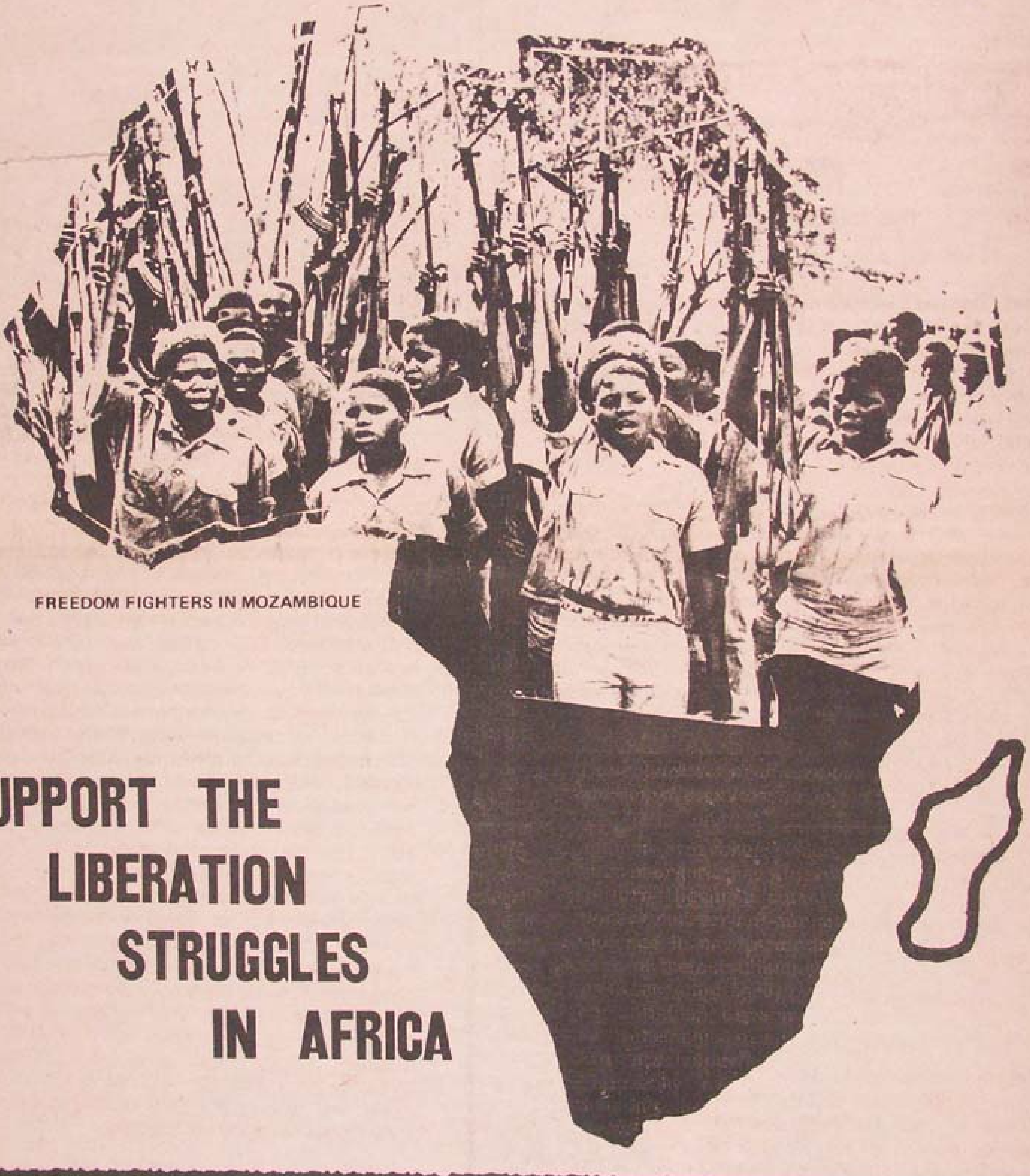
THE GROUP MATRIX

Deserving special attention is a particular type of propaganda aimed at large, specific groups, and widely used at present. It is directed against those population groups who suffer relatively heavy oppression, and have hence been moving more rapidly, compared to the population as a whole, in an anti-capitalist, socialistic and ultimately revolutionary direction. This includes Black people, women, workers, homosexuals (both men and women) and nearly all minority groups. As a patented type of group deception, it has specific characteristics that mark it like a coral snake, and each of these characteristics could be predicted from the three criteria mentioned above.

First of all, this type of propaganda always makes use of a political vehicle or tool - that is, an emotional attraction that envelops the whole thing like a vat of honey, entrapping its victims in a sticky morass. There are several main political vehicles in use by the establishment: group chauvinism, religion and false patriotism being the principal three. Others include, false ecology, music, sex and "waving the Red flag to defeat the Red flag", and all of them probably arise from natural needs and positive human characteristics. (Mysticism, however, according to Wilhelm Reich, seems to be often rooted in repressed sexual urges - repressed by religious morality itself - and as such is a powerful emotional tool used to obscure reality and promote fascism.)

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AFRICAN LIBERATION DAY MAY 27, 1972



FREEDOM FIGHTERS IN MOZAMBIQUE

SUPPORT THE LIBERATION STRUGGLES IN AFRICA

SAN FRANCISCO	WASHINGTON D.C.
RAYMOND KIMBELL PARK	SYLVAN THEATRE
GEARY AT STEINER	MONUMENT GROUNDS
RALLY BEGINS AT 2:00P.M.	RALLY BEGINS AT 4:00P.M.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY'S "BACK TO AFRICA" MOVEMENT

HARVARD'S MILLIONS FINANCE AGGRESSIVE WARS IN AFRICA.

ITT SERVING PEOPLE AND NATIONS EVERYWHERE
TEXACO
IBM
UNIROYAL
GENERAL ELECTRIC
Gulf
CATERPILLAR
THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK

That Harvard University, the most prestigious (as well as the richest) school in this country, should have been the scene of an anti-war demonstration along with an administrative building take-over would surprise no one. It can be understood as just another expression of student disgust and rage against the criminal acts of aggression perpetrated by the U.S. on the people of Vietnam.

However, not long ago, when 100 Black students, members of the Pan-African Liberation Committee and the Harvard/Radcliffe Afro-American Association, began their occupation of Massachusetts Hall (the Administration Office of the President of Harvard University) and issued the demand that Harvard divest its stock ownership in the Gulf Oil Company, and therefore begin to end its involvement in the daily exploitation and murder of the Black people of Southern Africa, eyebrows were raised. With their symbolic action, these Black students raised the veil of the utmost respectability Harvard maintains in American Society, and exposed its lust for riches and power.

As an institution of higher education, Harvard should function as all educational facilities should, to facilitate people's ability to survive. In a way, Harvard does do this: it both enhances and contributes to the maintenance of American Corporate Capitalism and a class of privileged families who direct the American Empire in the rape and plunder of the Black and Third World communities around the globe.

HARVARD AS A STOCKHOLDER

Harvard University's involvement in the American Empire is far from slight. In their own words, as published by the Harvard Committee on University Relations on Corporate Enterprise (a long title to express the idea, "How's our money doing?"), Harvard financiers urge that the University be guided by the philosophy of "realizing maximum returns on all money invested." This, Harvard seems to have achieved: the University maintains a stock portfolio worth $1.2 billion. Particularly profitable, in Harvard's eyes, are investments in Southern Africa, the scene of numerous African people's wars of liberation against European colonizers. Of the 183 common stocks invested in by Harvard, 54 are with companies having extensive dealings in Southern Africa. These investments alone, though only 29% of Harvard's total, are worth approximately 1/2 of its entire holdings, over $500 million.

The following list of just eleven (11) holdings, all in either Angola or Mozambique (in Southern Africa), can give a clear example of Harvard's direct involvement in racism and imperialism: (NOTE: All figures below are taken from 1970 records; today, they are considerably higher.)

STOCK	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE
Caterpillar Tractor Co.	165,482	$ 5,729,814
Chase Manhatten Bank	40,020	1,690,845
General Electric Co.	99,039	6,685,132
Getty Oil Co.	107,000	4,601,000
Gulf Oil Co.	671,187	15,437,301
I.B.M.	187,408	46,852,000
I.T.T.	40,413	1,394,248
Charles P. Fizer & Co.	13,500	406,687
Standard Oil of Calif.	190,380	7,662,795
Texaco Oil Co.	770,259	20,026,734
Union Carbide	69,644	2,359,248

This provides Harvard with a total investment in companies operating in Angola and Mozambique of over $112,845,746. If we now turn to just one of the companies, the Gulf Oil Company (the specific company Black students at Harvard demanded Harvard divest its holdings of), Harvard's implication in the plunder of the world becomes even strikingly clearer.

HARVARD AND GULF IN ANGOLA

The Gulf Oil Company is the largest American investor in the Portuguese colony of Angola. Angola, with a population of 5 1/2 million Africans, and 300,000 white colonizers, is extremely fertile in the production of oil, and has, since 1961 (under the leadership of the People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola, M.P.L.A.), been engaged in an armed struggle against Portuguese and American Imperialism. Together, with the people of Mozambique (guided by the Mozambique Liberation Front, FRELIMO) and the people of Guinea-Bissau and the Cape Verde Islands (P.A.I.G.C.) taken have up arms in a just struggle for self-determination, peace and liberation. Now, how could Portugal, the poorest country in Western Europe, combat this combined drive for liberation, without the backing of the corporate capitalism of the U.S. So, when, in 1965, Portugal lifted its traditional policy concerning foreign investments in her "overseas provinces", Gulf and others stepped right in. Setting up its operations in the oil rich Cabinda region, Gulf signed a blood-stained pact with Portugal, a contract which specifies protection against "third party involvement", namely the M.P.L.A. Not only does Gulf hire its own guards (mercenaries) to kill and maim Angolans, justly attempting to claim what is rightfully theirs, in 1970, Gulf paid to Portugal $16 million in various taxes, or what amounts to 30% of Portugal's military budget for Angola. With a projected payment of anywhere from $33 million to $50 million in 1972, Gulf alone will supply Portugal from 47 - 71% of her growing military budget. It can be added that Gulf and Harvard claim to be aiding the Angolan economy and providing necessary jobs: Gulf's $200 million investment employs a sum total of 33 Black Angolans!

THE INTERCONNECTION BETWEEN HARVARD'S INVESTMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE BLACK COMMUNITIES OF THE UNITED STATES

Harvard University maintains its investment in Gulf in spite of the official statement of the General Assembly of the United Nations that specifically mentions Cabinda Gulf Oil and Mozambique Gulf Oil as participants in the exploitation of the African people of Angola and Mozambique. Thus, in Southern Africa,

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WILMINGTON'S BLACKS MAY GET A FREE GUN PROGRAM

BLACK PEOPLE IN WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA STILL FIGHT RACIST ATTACKS.

The Black community of Wilmington, North Carolina has had to continuously put into practice its right to self defense in order to survive the constant attacks upon the members of the community by the racist Wilmington Police Department and its allies. The main ally is the paramilitary and Vigilante Rights of White People (R.O.W.P.) group. Black people in Wilmington realize that different methods of surviving are used at different times, and that, when under direct harassment and violent attack from the repressive machinery of the State, self-defense tactics must be utilized in order to survive. The Black community of Wilmington is still under direct attack and overt legal repression by the combined forces of the racist Rights of White People group and its protectors, the fascist Wilmington Police Department.



When the Rights of White People (R.O.W.P.) group arrogantly decided to move into the Wilmington Black community, to make their attacks on the people more "convenient", the pigs thought it best to arrest REVEREND BEN CHAVIS to make it even more convenient.

Those in the R.O.W.P. group, not satisfied with having to travel from the white section of the city in order to wage armed terrorist attacks upon the Black community, as in the past, had not long ago let their racist arrogance lead them to believe that they could actually set up a headquarters in the heart of the Black community of Wilmington, at 802 Castle Street, for the purpose of attacking Black people more conveniently.

Back in February, armed racists from R.O.W.P., along with numerous members of the Wilmington Police Department acting as guards, arrived at 802 Castle to casually do some work on the building before they moved in. It was during this particular time that Wilmington Police decided to again arrest Rev. Ben Chavis, Pastor of the First African Congregation of the Black Messiah Church, and a well-known, leading political organizer in the community, for the North Carolina Commission for Racial Justice, as well as being a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF). He was arrested on the frame-up charges of conspiracy to murder, assault on "emergency personnel", burning property with an incendiary device, and conspiracy to burn property. These concocted charges were supposedly brought against Brother Chavis because of his alleged participation in racial incidents that occurred in Wilmington, North Carolina in February of 1971. (It was during February of 1971, particularly, that the Black community of Wilmington began to make it clear that it would defend itself against such as ROWP's violent attacks upon the members. Even armoured cars had been turned around by Black people trying to survive in Wilmington.)

Rev. Brother Chavis has long been a target of local pigs. He and another Brother, Jim Grant, for example, had previously been arrested on December 10, 1971, for another fabricated conspiracy charge, which stated that they conspired to help two Brothers, Theodore Alfred Hood and Walter David Washington, who were on trial for manufacturing and transporting "illegal" weapons, escape to Canada, back in 1970. Jim Grant, a political activist and correspondent for the African World (the official organ of the Student Organization for Black Unity, S.O.B.U.) and the Southern Patriot (S.C.E.F.'s official news organ) newspapers, was recently, in fact, convicted on the frame-up charges of conspiracy to help the two brothers allegedly flee to Canada for the purpose of avoiding prosecution. The conviction against Brother Jim Grant is surprising in light of the fact that Washington's and Hood's charges of possession of illegal firearms had been dropped before his (Grant's) trial ended. Although Rev. Chavis has been acquitted of this particular charge, he still faces another charge with Brother Grant, possession of explosive dynamite. All of this stems from a collection of arbitrary, false charges leveled against him and eleven others, surrounding the various confrontations in February of 1971. They have, all together, become known as the Wilmington 12.

The pigs have long felt it necessary to keep Ben Chavis in jail, depriving the Black community of his leadership. With Chavis in jail, things could be especially clear for the Rights of White People group to finally open the doors to its military base. Located at 802 Castle Street, it would have been only down the street from Rev. Chavis' Church, at 714 Castle Street. The Church has been used as a community center around which much of the political activity of Black people is organized in the city. Now, even Rev. Chavis' church was to be singled out as a main target of repression by Wilmington fascists.

When Brother Chavis went to court on the new frame-up charges, he was slapped with an unbelievable $75,000 bond. Brother Marvin Patrick, Chavis' close associate, who was also arrested with Chavis on the same charges, received the same high bond. When the Wilmington Black community heard of this, they responded with righteous indignation, criticizing the occupying Wilmington police force and the R.O.W.P. group with gunfire. Several exploitative, white-owned businesses, operating in the Black community, were firebombed, along with the Rights of White People's new, so-called headquarters. By showing that they could not be intimidated, the Wilmington Black community forced the pigs to lower Brother Chavis' bond to $15,000, and he was again released.

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FORGOTTEN "MUSLIMS"?

BROTHERS ARRESTED IN BATON ROUGE PLEAD TO BE HEARD.

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The bond was a ridiculous $5,000 dollars each. While being held we communicated to the brothers the deplorable conditions in the jail, as well as the unjust charges and sentences being forced on other black prisoners. The resulting rally was only an attempt to air these grievances publicly. Which stimulated the "Protectors of the Peace" to murder 5 men and injure 30 others. Having served 81 days we were found guilty and recently released on time served. The 12 brothers who survived the rally, are being held on charges of inciting to riot and murder, along with a bond of $500,000.00 each. Again we want to air these grievances publicly. The reaction, "Your guess is as good as mine."

Eugene Muhammad

WHO WERE THE MEN [illegible]

TO THE MUSLIMS



The Brothers claimed to be followers of [illegible] Elijah Muhammad, while Elijah Muhammad himself denied them.

We who are called Young Muslims, renegades, splinter groups, hypocrites, etc., wish to clarify who we really are. It is a fact that all the brothers involved in the Baton Rouge incident were registered followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and had been for years. Some of us, have even escorted the Messenger on Our Saviour's Day. We are known in Chicago as the Honor Guard. Brother Samuel X Upton who was killed by our enemy, was a Lieutenant at Mosque No. 26 in San Francisco, Calif. The brother was well-known and loved along with Johnny 2X Devine and Redgley X Williams. Why then weren't our names found on the registry? When in a Muhammad Speaks article dated January 28, 1972, Entitled "Rare Interview with Messenger Muhammad", the question is asked "If you are expelled or suspended are you listed on the registry?" Messenger Muhammad answers: "Yes we have to keep him on there." What crimes had we com-

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THE SICKLE

PHONEY FOUNDATIONS TRY TO SABOTAGE BL



Sickle Cell Anemia has become a "Black gold mine". Certain foundations have suddenly sprung up, which collect millions of dollars to research Sickle Cell, but have not, like the Black Panther Party, given even one free screening test.

In early March, 1971, the Black Panther Party exposed a growing menace to the continued survival of Black people, the deadly blood disease, Sickle Cell Anemia. At the same time, we also exposed the racist negligence of the U.S. government and its medical system, who together have worked to withhold the little information obtained in the history of the crippling disease. The Black Panther Party brought to the attention of oppressed people the fact that 98% of the victims of Sickle Cell Anemia are Black and the U.S. government's refusal to place any importance on research of Sickle Cell Anemia. While allocating millions upon millions of dollars for researching such as cystic fibrosis or muscular dystrophy, diseases which predominately afflict white people, the U.S. government had refused to even discuss Sickle Cell Anemia.

The Black Panther Party, functioning in the true interests of Black, as well as all oppressed people, was first to inform large masses of people about Sickle Cell Anemia, through a country-wide educational campaign. About 7 or 8 months ago, the Black Panther Party took this campaign further, and launched a massive program to screen and test Black people across the United States for Sickle Cell disease, free of charge.

Utilizing volunteer help from doctors, nurses, lab technicians, medical students and other medical personnel, all working in conjunction with members of the Black Panther Party, the Party began the Sickle Cell Anemia Screening and Testing Survival Program in the many free, medical research health clinics located throughout the Black communities of America. Also, teams of comrades were sent out into the many Black communities, going from door to door, informing people about Sickle Cell Anemia and conducting on-the-spot testing. Through this Out-Reach Program, many brothers and sisters who had been tested for Sickle Cell Anemia decided to help in the fight against the deadly disease, and themselves got trained in testing procedures and follow-up measures at Black Panther Party free, medical health clinics. Buses were then acquired by the Party and transformed into Sickle Cell Anemia Mobile Units; and, with leaflets informing people in a particular area exactly when the mobile unit would be in their community, hundreds more people were tested, free of charge. Medical teams were sent to public grammar schools, high schools, colleges and universities, giving free Sickle Cell Anemia screening and testing to thousands of Black students. By the time of the Black Panther Party's Black Community Survival Conference, on the 29th, 30th, and 31st of March, 1972, in Oakland and Berkeley, California, not only did ten thousand people receive free, full bags of groceries (with a chicken in every bag), but over 13,000 Black people were tested for Sickle Cell disease. At the second major Survival Conference, also in Oakland, nearly 4,000 people were tested for Sickle Cell Anemia.

The Black Panther Party has conducted massive, free screening and testing campaigns in Oakland, Berkeley, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle, Chicago, Boston, Washington, D.C., Winston-Salem, St. Louis and East St. Louis, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Houston, Detroit, Baltimore, New Haven, Toledo, and many other cities. To date, the Party has screened and tested over 100,000 Black people for Sickle Cell disease. We expect this figure to rise to one million in this next year's time.

All of this was done with hardly any monetary aid from government or corporation funds. There were certainly no grants or help from the fascist U.S. government. The Party knew that if an organization and its membership and staff were sincere about wiping out Sickle Cell disease, it will positively mobilize the people toward that end. Working together, all the people can and will discover the way to care for ourselves.

Since the time the Black Panther Party first ran information about Sickle Cell Anemia in the Black Panther Party Intercommunal News Service (in April, 1971), many so-called Sickle Cell "foundations" have come forward or sprung up around the country. A few of these foundations are good ones, in the sense that they are really concerned with eradicating the menace of Sickle Cell Anemia, and are doing all that they know how to make this a reality. But, the overwhelming majority of these sudden Sickle Cell foundations do not have as their goal the wiping out of Sickle Cell Anemia. To the contrary, they would rather the disease remain, killing off Black people, so that they can continue to perpetuate their organization, and make the big profits that the "Sickle Cell Game" is now pulling in. These "Sickle Cell Foundations" (more and more are being formed daily) view Sickle Cell Anemia as a sort of "Black gold mine", to be opportunistically tapped at the expense of Black people's lives.

CELL "GAME"

CK PANTHER PARTY'S SICKLE CELL PROGRAM.



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Organized by both Blacks and whites, these organizations have received governmental grants, and duped the people, nationwide, out of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Of all the money that these organizations have received, they have yet to come forth with one concrete program to fight Sickle Cell Anemia. None has come forward with the massive, free screening and testing already done by the Black Panther Party, without "necessary funding".

There are so many of these rip-off Sickle Cell organizations around, that they defy listing, with their puffed-up "Boards of Directors" or "Presidents", or whatever they may arrogantly call themselves, while blatantly exploiting the misery of Black people, offering hope when they know they never intend to deliver. These "foundations", composed of both Black and white scum, are lining their pockets on the one hand, and preaching how "evil" Sickle Cell disease is on the other. The program is simple: go to some government agency or racist charity organization, tell them how you and your "Board" can keep the heat off them a little more in the Black community, and let them fund you for a phoney, but now popular, Sickle Cell Anemia program. Receiving vast sums of money, these phoney foundations have done nothing at all in regard to Sickle Cell Anemia, save perhaps putting out a few leaflets and posters, telling the people of the need for "more funds".

One such organization is the so-called NATIONAL SICKLE CELL DISEASE RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC., the N.S.C.D.R.F., which recently sponsored a Sickle Cell Convention, on April 28th, 29th and 30th of 1972. The site of the Convention, even, was far from the reach of the masses of Black people, at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge in New York City. At this Convention, many other of the so-called Sickle Cell organizations showed up, supposedly to "discuss problems relating to Sickle Cell Anemia, and the effects it(the disease) has on the Black community". A host of speakers were presented, who talked about how "bad" Sickle Cell Anemia was. The whole package was replete with X-Ray slides of a Sickle Cell victim's body during a painful crisis. Of course, the X-Ray slides were accompanied with the appropriate crocodile tears. At this convention, as was to be expected, nothing was accomplished; and, as usual, Black people were the losers, still victims of Sickle Cell Anemia. Regardless of the fact that the N.S.C.D.R.F. has done nothing to screen, test or research Sickle Cell Disease, it has the nerve to actually give out awards for "outstanding contributions made by individuals in fighting Sickle Cell Anemia".

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSTITUTE, whose Sickle Cell Division is headed by Dr. Rudolph Jackson, plans to open regional offices across the United States. This "Institute" has had adequate facilities to do a reasonably good screening and testing operation all along, but for some strange reason has not done so. There is no evidence, therefore, that more funding (as it has requested of the government) for more offices will change its direction. In fact, their latest funding will probably go for maintaining these offices and higher salaries.

THE LOS ANGELES SICKLE CELL ANEMIA FOUNDATION has $200,000 in funds in the bank, to this day, and is "sitting on it", while Black people with Sickle Cell Anemia are waiting to die. At the other end of the country, the NEW YORK SICKLE CELL ANEMIA FOUNDATION has $96,000 in the bank. This money belongs to the people, but these two foundations obviously have more personal plans for it.

The idea of something called THE ROCKEFELLER RESEARCH INSTITUTE being said to contribute research on Sickle Cell Anemia is truly ridiculous. That something named after the racist and greedy Rockefeller family would even attempt to have Black people believe that it is concerned about Sickle Cell Anemia, borders on the insane. Nelson Rockefeller had no concern for the Black and poor people he ordered murdered at Attica State Prison; nor does the entire Rockefeller Klan, which certainly is not exhibiting love for the Black oppressed population of South Africa, where its very heavy business interests help keep Black people in misery.

Then, there is LULU CARTER, a Black woman who is a Sickle Cell Anemia entrepreneur. With San Francisco as her "base of operations", she first attacked the Sickle Cell Anemia Research and Education organization (S.C.A.R.E.) which was attempting to set up offices in San Francisco. She said that San Francisco was her "territory" and that she wasn't going to allow "any niggers" to come in and "mess up" her "good thing". Carter, realizing her game would soon be up, travelled

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THE SICKLE CELL "GAME"



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East, and, disguised as a representative of S.C.A.R.E., spoke to various groups interested in S.C.A.R.E. Actually, she is the Chairman of the Sickle Cell Anemia Disease Research Foundation (S.C.A.D.R.F.).

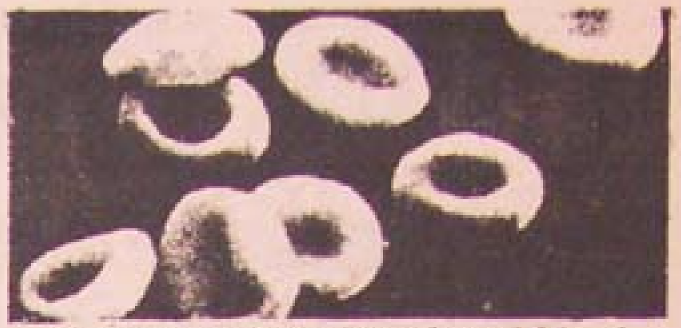
Of all those making the big money off the "Sickle Cell Game", so-called "Black" or "Soul" radio stations are gaining the most. These "Soul" stations get big money from the various phoney organizations to pollute the airwaves with advertisements for various Sickle Cell Anemia rip-offs. K.D.I.A., in the Oakland-Bay Area, for example, ripped off big funds when the white owners conducted a trumped-up Sickle Cell benefit to raise funds for these pig groups. K.D.I.A. held a "Sickle Cell A-Thon" (a marathon fund-raiser for Sickle Cell Anemia) and admitted to raising $32,000. Of this sum, $9,000 went to the LOS ANGELES SICKLE CELL ANEMIA FOUNDATION, and $23,000 was given to LULU CARTER. LULU CARTER has apparently used this sum, given to K.D.I.A. by oppressed people, to travel around the country and attend various "Sickle Cell Conventions". She certainly has not used any funds to righteously deal with Sickle Cell disease. As an aside, the Vicks Company donated $5,000 to her; and when she was later sent a letter asking how the money was used, she refused to respond to it. In Boston, "Soul" radio station W.I.L.D. pushed a phoney organization called the "Cynthia Sickle Cell Association" (named for a small child who had died of Sickle Cell Anemia). After a month-long campaign of begging for research funds with cute slogans like, "It's Sickle Cell Time, y'all!", W.I.L.D. claimed to only have received $1,000. Even with this sum, the "Cynthia Sickle Cell Association" has to date done the following toward researching and/or testing for Sickle Cell Anemia: issued one small fact brochure.

As was mentioned, these types of organizations and individuals have been springing up as fast as you can say "Sickle Cell Anemia". To them, the disease is a "money-maker" and that is all. They reason that Sickle Cell Anemia and Black people's concern about it is just a fad, a passing fancy, that has nothing or little to do with our collective need to survive. It is something for them to exploit to the maximum, before the "opportunity" slips away. Any day now, we can expect to see Sickle Cell shirts, caps, or buttons and pins. Believe it or not, there are already Sickle Cell records. Recording artist Billy Young, of Macon, Georgia, recently released a record, entitled "Sickle Cell Anemia", which record is being controlled and dis-

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Normal, donut-shaped, red blood cells.



Elongated red blood cells, during a sickle cell crisis.

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tributed by the Middle (Macon) Georgia Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation. The record is being sold for one dollar, and, supposedly, 60¢ for each record sold will go toward "Sickle Cell Anemia". How much of this money goes to research and testing of Sickle Cell Anemia may not be known. We do know that the record contributes to the reactionary imagery of making concern over Sickle Cell Anemia a "fad".

With all the various forms of oppression with which Black people have to contend in our struggle for survival, we now must find ourselves confronted with "Sickle Cell con-artists", who would "whip a game" on Black people for personal profit. For now, even pig Nixon, the biggest con-man of them all, wants to get into the act. He recently signed a bill that allocated millions of dollars toward the "eradication" of Sickle Cell Anemia. We are not fooled by "Nixon's Sickle Cell Bill", for we know that what we will see is the phoney Sickle Cell organizations getting even more money (if in fact it is given), with little change in the people's condition in regard to Sickle Cell Anemia. The only way Nixon could care about Sickle Cell Anemia would be if he had it. Black people will not stand for these low-lifed actions any longer. We will find a cure for Sickle Cell Anemia, and, in the process, find a cure for those opportunistic individuals who would exploit the suffering of the oppressed masses.

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FORGOTTEN "MUSLIMS"?

BROTHERS ARRESTED IN BATON ROUGE PLEAD TO BE HEARD.

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mitted for our names to be permanently removed? My father-in-law is Minister Yusuf Shah of Mosque No. 2 Chicago. Why hasn't he along with other so-called Muslims come forth to tell the truth? Yet they exhort others to do so. Who are the real Hypocrites? In Chicago, San Francisco, Oakland and Rochester, N.Y. Muslims whose only desire was to help the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, were brutally slain or attempted to be slain. By whom we ask? In a Muhammad Speaks article dated January 14, 1972, Entitled "The Self-Haters!" The Messenger wrote: "What the Muslims are faced with today - while trying to make unity - The Muslims are faced with murderers and killers coming to them from among our own black brothers." At no time have we picked up carnal weapons, neither before or after some of us were murdered. Nor were weapons found on any brother in Baton Rouge. Yet at this writing, there are so-called Muslims who would do me harm, only because of the truth. The Muslims should do as the Messenger stated in a Muhammad Speaks article dated November 26, 1971, Entitled "Hypocrities." "The hypocrites who have and who are now set in the Nation of Islam, must be removed out of our way. No people nor organization, regardless to what it is, religious or political, can be successful with hypocrites on its panel. Here in Chicago, the die has been set. And, the material has been made according to the die. I hope that Allah will cause you to see, for I must certainly hope to get you removed out of our Temple No. 2, which is full of disbelievers as well as in other Temples...." If we weren't registered or in the Temple at the time this article was written, it couldn't have been referring to us. Who then was The Honorable Elijah Muhammad speaking of?

Eugene Muhammad

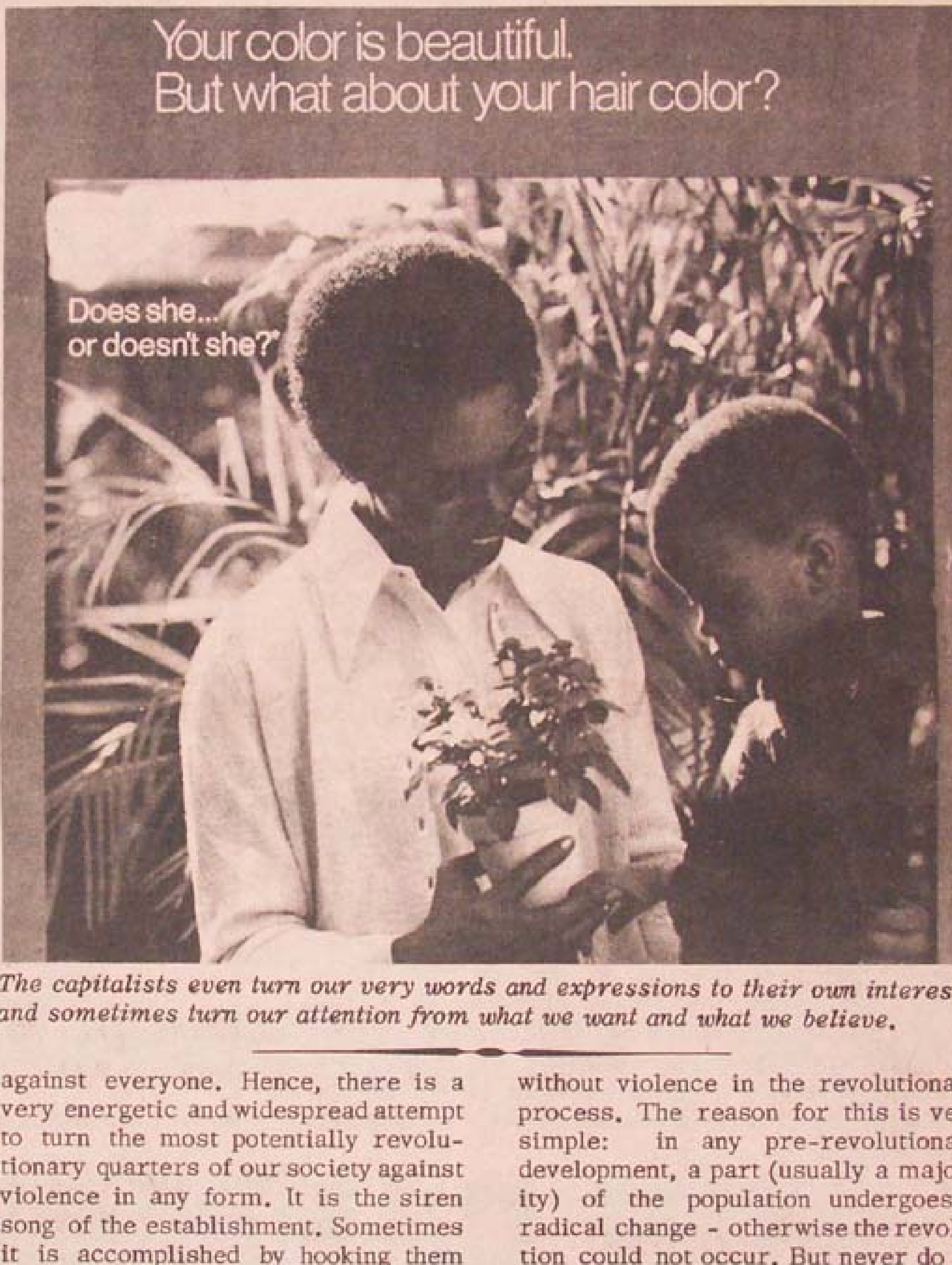
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The predominant ideological vehicle used in this type of group propaganda, however, is the chauvinist/racist principle, the basis of which, in each case, is provided by the natural rising consciousness of the group. Among Black people, for example, it is the natural increasing awareness of their double exploitation, as well as their African heritage, that provides the Black lackey with a tool. It is the job of false Black organizations and independent mouthpieces to turn this awareness around into a racism that ensures the cleavage of the movement, and works directly against the interests of the Black masses.

Since women suffer economic, social and sexual (along with men) oppression due to the capitalist social system, a similar strain of propaganda can be used on them. Here again, a natural rising consciousness can be twisted around into a chauvinism that only tends to ensure their continued oppression by tending to ensure the continuation of the capitalist system.

Thus, the use of group chauvinism or racism serves a double purpose for the propagandist: it is both the political vehicle and the splitting device.



The capitalists even turn our very words and expressions to their own interests, and sometimes turn our attention from what we want and what we believe.

The third ingredient in this group matrix is always anti-socialism or anti-communism. This is the vilification of reality by a complete reversal of logic. Once chauvinism or race hatred has been established, it can be used to create as illusionary anti-communism. While there are many techniques used to accomplish this, two of those based on chauvinism or racism are: (1) associating communism with the "other" group, and (2) telling the group that the socialist countries, or well known heroes, are against their group. Because a communist understanding tends to wake people up and bring them together at the same time, anti-communism is a very key factor in most types of establishment propaganda.

The fourth part of this propaganda matrix is to render the group harmless to the powers-that-be, by destroying their potential ability to fight. While addiction to heroin, or other hard drugs, accomplishes this purpose all too often, it is impossible for the ruling classes to use drug warfare against everyone. Hence, there is a very energetic and widespread attempt to turn the most potentially revolutionary quarters of our society against violence in any form. It is the siren song of the establishment. Sometimes it is accomplished by hooking them on religion, or sometimes through an overemphasis on the "one shouldn't kill psychology" - extending this philosophy even to the beasts that wouldn't hesitate to destroy us all if we became a real threat to them and it was within their power. Excessive sentiments of this nature in a population can only mean enslavement. Again, anti-violence can sometimes be instilled by associating it with supposed bad qualities of the "other" group. For example, telling women that the use of guns and violence is a part of male chauvinism, is a very clever and insidious device.

History has shown that there cannot be significant and permanent change in the social relations of production without violence in the revolutionary process. The reason for this is very simple: in any pre-revolutionary development, a part (usually a majority) of the population undergoes a radical change - otherwise the revolution could not occur. But never do all of the people undergo this change. This includes the ruling class, most of the petty bourgeois and those who are irreversibly brainwashed by the above classes. Unfortunately, there will always be a sufficient number of people around who are either brainwashed enough, or selfish enough, to man the ruling class's armed line of defense. Those people who insist on destroying the people for their masters, will have to be rendered helpless. Even if one should argue that eventually almost everyone will go through a change, there are two things that will prevent it from happening: first, the ruling class will not allow it to occur - they will attack first; and second, the people

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HARVARD UNIVERSITY'S "BACK TO AFRICA" MOVEMENT

HARVARD'S MILLIONS FINANCE AGGRESSIVE WARS IN AFRICA.

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the chains of bondage are set. Literally, Gulf, backed by Harvard, oils Portugal's war machine.

It is impossible to conceive that Harvard's racist investments in Southern Africa could be isolated from the University's policies in the U.S. After all, the Black community of Angola and those of the rest of Southern Africa are only a part of the Black and Third World communities suffering under the greed of American corporate capitalism. Upon investigation, the facts only emphasize and prove the contention that the oppression of the world's communities is very similar. Harvard's investments in Polaroid (141,758 shares, worth $7,513,174), a prime financier for the Union of South Africa and the notorious policy of apartheid (the racial segregation policy of the racist government of South Africa) have been directly responsible for the deaths of hundreds of South Africans who attempt to protest carrying Polaroid-made I.D. cards in their own country. Harvard is also implicated in the inhumane establishment of Polaroid I.D. cards for mothers on Welfare in New York City, and soon, in Boston.

The University, located in Cambridge, Massachusetts, happens to be the City's largest slumlord, owning over 800 units of housing, as well as over 1/2 the section of Riverside, where many of Cambridge's Black population reside. Through its wealth and power, Harvard virtually fixes the rents for the entire city, while the only housing Harvard actually helps construct are dorms for its own students. Harvard refuses (and this was one of the demands of the Black student take-over) to build low-income housing to replace the many hundreds of decaying structures it owns. Also, one particularly interesting investment, in which Harvard owns a controlling portion, is Mid-South Utilities, a chain of electric supply stores in the Southern portion of the United States. Mid-South Utilities employs a large number of known Ku Klux Klan members, and undoubtedly finances a number of Ku Klux Klan "adventures".

Harvard University could more aptly be called a subsidiary of the "Harvard Corporation". The policies and directions the University makes are planned and controlled by the Board of Directors of the Corporation: the school president and others are only mouthpieces. A look at this Board of Directors, together with the Board of Overseers, will find the infamous Butcher of Attica, Rockefeller; the Kennedy Klan, the main instigators of the war against the Vietnamese; and others just as notorious. These are the men who run and control this U.S. Empire. They are the high echelon of corporate capitalists who have plunged the entire world into the dark ages of Reactionary Intercommunalism. With the veil torn, we can see the greatest collection of murderers, cut-throats, and thieves, racist to their bones, pulling the strings. Not only does Harvard pull the strings in the Portuguese government, financing and maintaining aggressive wars against African people, but also Harvard controls the Ronald Reagans and Warden Louis Nelsons, the murderers of George Jackson; the Mayor Daleys and Hanrahans, the murderers of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark. For, on the Board of Directors of the Harvard Corporation are our true enemies, the enemies of humanity. They have come together as one.

The commonality of our struggle is clear. Events such as that on this coming May 27th, African Liberation Day, with massive demonstrations in Washington, D.C. and San Francisco, as well as elsewhere, will focus the attention of the Black communities here in the U.S.A. on the struggle of our brothers and sisters in Southern Africa. That victory for the people can only come about through unity; and certainly through the progressive unity of all oppressed people, no force on earth can stop our drive for complete liberation.

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will not wait and endure that long. Even if most of the people are on our side, the historical problem is that the manpower of the ruling classes is always multiplied by their initially more sophisticated organization and by their usually superior weapons and logistics systems. Unfortunately, one of the greatest dangers to a radicalized population is moving on a confrontation path with the establishment without being sufficiently armed. This has happened many times, for example, in Indonesia not long ago, with the result that about half a million people were massacred.

The three main propaganda ingredients mentioned above: racism/chauvinism, anti-communism and inappropriate nonviolence are among the most important things the ruling class wishes to inculcate in our heads. That is, they desire us to remain divided, anti-communist and declawed so that the beasts roam free and humanity and the planet can continue to be raped. Even if a person accepts only one of these misconceptions, it may make him ineffective in the long run and possibly disruptive to the rest of the movement. The combinations in which these things are presented, the political vehicle and the specific psychologies used, will vary. The thing, however, is to be vigilant.

WILMINGTON'S BLACKS MAY GET A FREE GUN PROGRAM

BLACK PEOPLE IN WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA STILL FIGHT RACIST ATTACKS.

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This was not the end of the attempts by the pigs to rid themselves of Brother Chavis, however; for, on March 6th, he was arrested again: this time on a murder conspiracy charge, also stemming from the same 1971 racial conflicts. Throughout the court appearances to which Rev. Chavis has been subjected, the pigs have paraded an "eye witness", a traitor, against Brother Chavis. His name is Allen Hall, but he is known by many as "Crazy Al" (who, incidentally, has been convicted of the similar charges from February 1971, and is believed to be making a deal for leniency in his own sentence.)

The murder charge stems from an incident which occurred specifically on February 7th, 1971, when white vigilantes were in the Black community attacking people assembled at St. Gregory's Congregational Church. A racist white man by the name of Harvey E. Cumber, while driving a truck, was allowed by the pigs to go through a roadblock they had set up while the racist vigilante attack of St. Gregory's was in progress. Cumber, once through the roadblock around the Church, got out of his truck, with a gun in his hand, and attempted to fire inside St. Gregory's. He was then shot dead, and the police were called to remove his racist remains.

The power structure is charging Rev. Chavis and Brother Marvin Patrick, and now Brother Tommy Atwood, with conspiring to "murder" Cumber, who died while trying to murder Black people, himself.

Prior to Cumber's demise, the Black community had pleaded over and over for police protection of the Church against racist attacks, for roadblocks and a curfew. These pleas had all been denied, forcing the people to defend the Church and the lives of its members themselves. Along with Brother Chavis, other Black people in Wilmington arrested on phony charges include Mrs. Molly Hicks and her 18-year old daughter, Leatrice, and Brother John McClain.

Fascist Wilmington Police Chief H. E. Williamson said that now that these "hoodlums" have been arrested, things should quiet down: "I'm the happiest damn police chief in the country. In my opinion, we have the majority of the people who gave us trouble in 1971." What he means is that, hopefully, because of the arrests, the Black community will begin to accept racist repression. (Actually, Williamson made the arrests after receiving a letter from R.O.W.P. saying that they knew who had killed Cumber, and warning him that he'd better make an arrest.)

Wilmington's Black community's struggle is one of survival. They will not be silent. They demand the release of all the Brothers and Sisters arrested, and an end to the racist attacks by the Rights of White People group and the Wilmington pig department itself. The people will free Ben Chavis, all the Wilmington 12, and themselves, for the people of Wilmington want to survive to complete liberation.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY PROGRAM

MARCH 29, 1972 PLATFORM

WHAT WE WANT **WHAT WE BELIEVE**

1. WE WANT FREEDOM. WE WANT POWER TO DETERMINE THE DESTINY OF OUR BLACK AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITIES.

We believe that Black and oppressed people will not be free until we are able to determine our destinies in our own communities ourselves, by fully controlling all the institutions which exist in our communities.

2. WE WANT FULL EMPLOYMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every person employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the American businessmen will not give full employment, then the technology and means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. WE WANT AN END TO THE ROBBERY BY THE CAPITALIST OF OUR BLACK AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITIES.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules were promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of Black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million Black people. Therefore, we feel this is a modest demand that we make.

4. WE WANT DECENT HOUSING, FIT FOR THE SHELTER OF HUMAN BEINGS.

We believe that if the landlords will not give decent housing to our Black and oppressed communities, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that the people in our communities, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for the people.

5. WE WANT EDUCATION FOR OUR PEOPLE THAT EXPOSES THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS DECADENT AMERICAN SOCIETY. WE WANT EDUCATION THAT TEACHES US OUR TRUE HISTORY AND OUR ROLE IN THE PRESENT-DAY SOCIETY.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If you do not have knowledge of yourself and your position in the society and the world, then you will have little chance to know anything else.

6. WE WANT COMPLETELY FREE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL BLACK AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE.

We believe that the government must provide, free of charge, for the people, health facilities which will not only treat our illnesses, most of which have come about as a result of our oppression, but which will also develop preventative medical programs to guarantee our future survival. We believe that mass health education and research programs must be developed to give all Black and oppressed people access to advanced scientific and medical information, so we may provide ourselves with proper medical attention and care.

7. WE WANT AN IMMEDIATE END TO POLICE BRUTALITY AND MURDER OF BLACK PEOPLE, OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR, ALL OPPRESSED PEOPLE INSIDE THE UNITED STATES.

We believe that the racist and fascist government of the United States uses its domestic enforcement agencies to carry out its program of oppression against Black people, other people of color and poor people inside the United States. We believe it is our right, therefore, to defend ourselves against such armed forces, and that all Black and oppressed people should be armed for self-defense of our homes and communities against these fascist police forces.

8. WE WANT AN IMMEDIATE END TO ALL WARS OF AGGRESSION.

We believe that the various conflicts which exist around the world stem directly from the aggressive desires of the U.S. ruling circle and government to force its domination upon the oppressed people of the world. We believe that if the U.S. government or its lackeys do not cease these aggressive wars that it is the right of the people to defend themselves by any means necessary against their aggressors.

9. WE WANT FREEDOM FOR ALL BLACK AND POOR OPPRESSED PEOPLE NOW HELD IN U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, CITY AND MILITARY PRISONS AND JAILS. WE WANT TRIALS BY A JURY OF PEERS FOR ALL PERSONS CHARGED WITH SO-CALLED CRIMES UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS COUNTRY.

We believe that the many Black and poor oppressed people now held in U.S. prisons and jails have not received fair and impartial trials under a racist and fascist judicial system and should be free from incarceration. We believe in the ultimate elimination of all wretched, inhuman penal institutions, because the masses of men and women inprisoned inside the United States or by the U.S. military are the victims of oppressive conditions which are the real cause of their imprisonment. We believe that when persons are brought to trial that they must be guaranteed, by the United States, juries of their peers, attorneys of their choice and freedom from imprisonment while awaiting trials.

10. WE WANT LAND, BREAD, HOUSING, EDUCATION, CLOTHING, JUSTICE, PEACE AND PEOPLE'S COMMUNITY CONTROL OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But, when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.

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PEOPLE'S PETITION

FOR IMMEDIATE PAROLE OF BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA PRISON SYSTEM OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND WITH A RETRIAL JURY OF HIS PEER-GROUP.

WE THE PEOPLE, RESIDENTS OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY, IN THE SPIRIT OF REVOLUTIONARY INTERCOMMUNALISM, DO HEREBY REDRESS OUR GRIEVANCE AND PETITION THE COURTS OF AMERICA AND THE CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT AND PAROLE BOARD: THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE RELEASED FROM HIS PRISON INCARCERATION IN THE CALIFORNIA PENAL SYSTEM TO THE PEOPLE OF OUR COMMUNITIES ON PAROLE OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND.

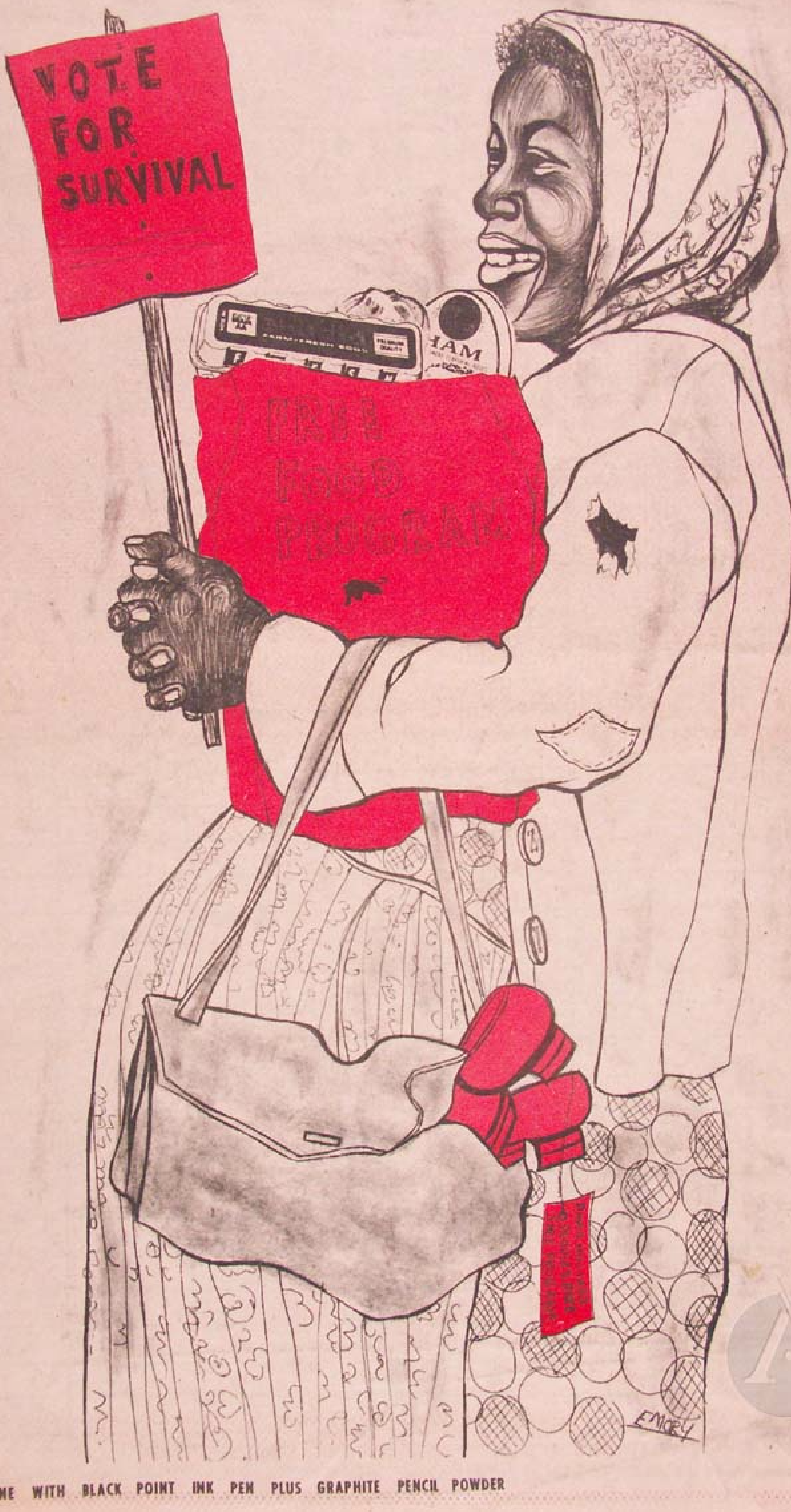
BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, POLITICAL PRISONER AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, WAS IN FACT WRONGFULLY CONVICTED ON FALSE CHARGES BY A PREDOMINATELY WHITE RACIST JURY, AS ALL MEMBERS OF THE OAKLAND BLACK COMMUNITY WERE SYSTEMATICALLY ELIMINATED FROM THE JURY SELECTION PROCESS IN HIS TRIAL.

IN LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, WE THE UNDERSIGNED, THEREFORE PETITION THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE GRANTED HIS HUMAN AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, THAT IS, PAROLE FROM PRISON OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND BY THE AMERICAN COURTS PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE BEFORE HIGHER COURTS, AND THAT HIS RETRIAL JURY BE OF HIS PEERS, A TRUE REPRESENTATION OF A CROSS SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

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